

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—So far as Hatti is concerned, I request the hon. Member to put a separate question.

ಶ್ರೀ ಎಂ. ಕರವಾಣಿ ರಾವ್ ಮಲ್ಲಪ್ಪ.—ಹೆಚ್ಚು ಚಿನ್ನದ ಗಣಿ ಅದೃಶ್ಯಕ್ಕೆ ಈ ಪ್ರದೇಶವನ್ನು ಸೇರಿಸುವುದರಿಂದ ಏನಾದರೂ ಕೊಂದರೆಯಾಗಬಹುದಲ್ಲವೇ ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—It is not affected.

Sri H. SIDDHAVEERAPPA.—Is the hon. Minister aware that Messrs. John Taylor & Sons are not the only experts in the World. So far as gold mining prospecting is concerned, there are specialists in Russia and Scandinavian countries. Have the Government thought of bringing our experts also, especially in view of the fact that John Taylor & Sons are the dispossessed people and they are the people whose opinion will have to be taken as the last one ?

Sri A. P. APPANNA.—When opinion was taken in 1938, they were not dispossessed. This is a suggestion which the State Government will consider.

Kudligere-Kammaraghatta Road

10. **Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA (Honnali).**—

Will the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state :—

- (a) the length of Kudligere-Kammaraghatta road ;
- (b) whether any grant has been made available so far for repairs of this road ;
- (c) whether Government is aware that this road is a vital road serving many villages both in Bhadravathi and Honnali Taluks under Bhadra Channel ;
- (d) whether any estimate for remetalling and for improvement of this road has been submitted to Government for sanction ;
- (e) if so, whether there is any proposal to make necessary provision in the budget estimate by sanctioning the said estimate early ?

A.—Sri VEERENDRA PATIL (Minister for Public Works).—

- (a) 22 miles and 3 furlongs.
- (b) No.
- (c) This road connects two State Highways.
- (d) No.
- (e) Does not arise in view of the reply to clause (d) of the question.

Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA.—May I know the year in which this road was formed ?

† Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—I do not have that information. This road was taken over by the P.W.D. for maintenance on 8th May 1963.

Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA.—Is the State Government aware that the public as well as the concerned M.L.A. of the Taluk have been repeatedly bringing to the notice of the Government that this road is very bad and requires urgent repairs?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—Yes, Sir. The condition of this road is not so bad. Nevertheless, the Executive Engineer concerned has prepared an estimate. This is going to cost more than Rs. 2½ lakhs. We have provided for all irrigation track roads under the Tungabhadra Project a sum of Rs. four lakhs. To the extent possible, the road condition is being improved.

Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA.—It is admitted that this road is a vital road. It connects two State Highways. May I know the reasons why it was neglected hitherto?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—I said that irrigation track roads are there. But the funds provided are not adequate. That is the difficulty—not that we want to neglect any road that is formed under the Bhadra Project.

Sri D. PARAMESHWARAPPA.—Can I take this as an assurance from the Minister—that in view of the bad condition of this road, the Minister will be pleased to call for the estimates and include it in the Budget estimates of this year?

Sri VEERENDRA PATIL.—It is very difficult to give any such categorical assurance. But this much is certain that this is an important road connecting two highways. We shall try our best to improve this road.

Hindi Examinations recognised by the State Government

11. Sri M. NAGAPPA (Raichur).—

Will the Minister for Education be pleased to state :—

(a) the Hindi Examinations that have been recognised by the State Government;

(b) whether the Government has recognised the 'Sahithya Sudhakara' Hindi Vidya Peetha Bombay?

(c) if not, the reasons for the same?

A.—Sri K. V. SHANKARA GOWDA (Minister for Education).—

(a) List of Hindi Examinations that have been recognised by the State Government is appended.

(b) No.

(c) Because the Government of India have not recognised this Examination.